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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action dated February 25, 2009, Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-12, which are directed to a method of diagnosing stroke via a polypeptide such as Apo C-III, classified in class 435, subclass 7.21. This election is made traverse.

This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter. Accordingly, timely examination and favorable action on the claims is respectfully requested.

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In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Atty. Docket No. 108140.00041.

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